

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, November, 1797.

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On motion, ORDERED, That the bill to incorporate a company for making several turnpike roads through Baltimore and Frederick counties until they intersect the divisional line between Maryland and Pennsylvania, have a second reading this evening.

The house adjourns till 5 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The house met.

On the second reading the bill to incorporate a company for making several turnpike roads through Baltimore and Frederick counties until they intersect the divisional line between Maryland and Pennsylvania, the question was put, That the said bill do pass? Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Gift, Mr. Worthington, Mr. E. Brown, Mr. Martin and Mr. C. Beall, have leave of absence.

Mr. Montgomery, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to reimburse William Evans, of the city of Baltimore, certain monies advanced and expended by him in repairing certain roads in Baltimore and Anne-Arundel counties; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to enable the commissioners of the tax of Baltimore county to collect taxes due, or which may hereafter become due, on certain lands therein mentioned. ORDERED, That Mr. Carroll, Mr. Worthington and Mr. Merryman, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

T U E S D A Y, January 2, 1798.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill to incorporate a company for making several turnpike roads through Baltimore and Frederick counties until they intersect the divisional line between Maryland and Pennsylvania, the further supplement to an act to straighten and amend the public roads in Harford county, and for other purposes, and the bill to authorise a lottery in Somerset county for raising a sum of money for the purpose of repairing the causeway in said county commonly known by the name of Vienna Causeway, and completing a new road leading from Barren creek mills to Dean's landing, on Nanticoke river, were sent to the senate by the clerk.

Mr. Carroll, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to enable the commissioners of the tax of Baltimore county to collect taxes due, or which may hereafter become due, on certain lands therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The report on the petition of Benjamin Hatcheson was read the second time, and the resolution therein contained assented to, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

The bill relating to the public roads in Talbot county, was read the second time, and the question put, That the said bill do pass as amended? Resolved in the affirmative.

Amendments proposed. In the second section and tenth line strike out the word "ten" and insert the word "twenty." Strike out the words "nor persons qualified to serve as jurors according to the laws of this state" in the seventh line from the bottom of the third page. At the end of the fifth section insert "except in the time of wheat harvest." Strike out the words "or owners" in the third line from the end of the 6th section. After the word "owner" in the same line of the same section insert "tenant or overseer." In the seventh section, at the end of the twelfth line, strike out the word "and." In the same section and thirteenth line, after the word "gravel" insert "and timber." In the same section and same line, after the word "roads" insert "and bridges." In the eighth section and thirteenth line strike out from the word "time" to the end of the section. In the ninth section and fifteenth line from the word "attend" strike out to the end of the section, and insert "and in case the master, mistress or overseer, of any servant or slave, upon being notified as aforesaid, shall refuse or neglect to send such servant or slave, or upon sending, such servant or slave shall refuse to perform his reasonable labour as aforesaid, such master, mistress or overseer, shall forfeit and pay the sum of one dollar for every servant or slave so refused to be sent, or when sent, refusing to work as aforesaid." In the thirteenth section and fifth line, after the words "shall be" insert "except in time of wheat harvest."

Mr. Dorsey, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of the commissioners to straighten and amend the post-road from Havre-de-Grace to Baltimore-town report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that the prayer thereof ought to be granted.

By order,

S. MAYNARD, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That the committee appointed on the said petition prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, ORDERED, That the bill to appoint an agent for the year 1798 have a second reading to-morrow.

The clerk of the senate delivers the resolution in favour of Richard Chew, endorsed; "By the senate, December 29, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table."

"By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

By the senate, January 1, 1798: Read the second time and dissented from.

"By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk."

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